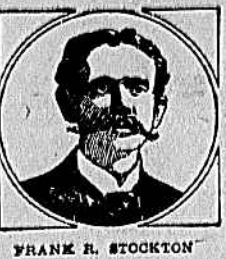




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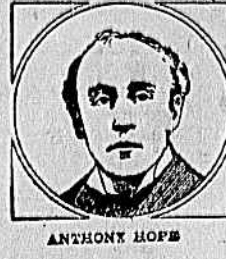
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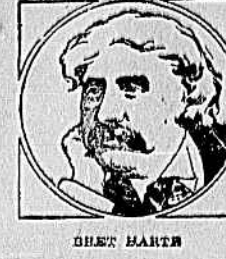
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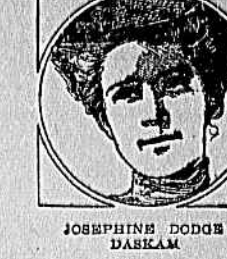
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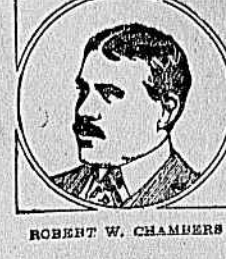
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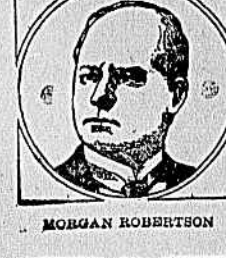
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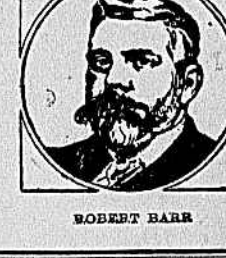
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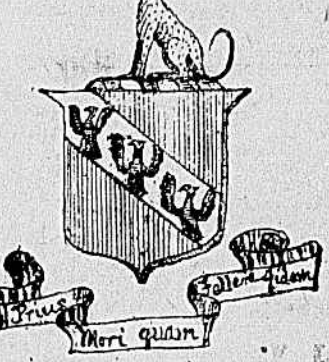
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## GENEALOGICAL COLUMN

### STROTHER FAMILY.

### OF VIRGINIA.



This name, so familiar in Virginia, is from the good old Saxon word "Strother." Jeremiah Strother is supposed to have been the first to emigrate to Virginia, which was as early as 1673; others give William Strother, of Northumberland, England, who came over in 1670 and settled in Rappahannock county. Probably they were brothers and emigrated about the same time.

The wife of Jeremiah Strother is not known. He died in 1741, leaving eight children, one of whom, Francis Strother, married Susan Dabney. They had one son, John, who married Mary Wade; they also had a son John, who married Helen Piper. Their daughter, Lucy Strother, married William Ashby, of Culpeper, about 1802. From them descended the brilliant Ashby brothers, of the Confederate war. Among the children of William Ashby and Lucy Strother was Martha T. Ashby, who married Hon. Robert E. Meade, of Culpeper county. They had five children: Robert Meade and Robert T. Meade; the former married, May 6, 1883, Captain C. T. Allen, and had six children.

The Strothers and Ashbys lived in Stafford, Fauquier, Culpeper, Spotsylvania and King William counties. French was the first to settle in Culpeper. French was the first to settle in Culpeper. French was the first to settle in Culpeper.

Colonel French Strother represented Stafford county and was called "The Fearless." He had a son named George French Strother, who was in Congress from 1817 to 1820. His son, James French Strother, was in the Virginia Legislature from 1820 to 1823. He was also a member of the convention of 1850, and represented his district in Congress, 1851-53. He died in 1860, in Culpeper county.

\*See Hugh B. Grigsby's History of Virginia.

Mildred Strother, daughter of John and Lucy Strother, died William Pendleton, son of John E. Pendleton, who was congressman and United States minister to Russia.

Old Colonel Francis Strother's brother, Anthony, was father of Ben. Strother, a noted officer in the Virginia Navy of 1770. Ben. Strother's son, John, was in the war of 1812. Another son of Colonel Francis Strother, of St. Mark's, and his wife, Susan Dabney, was William Strother, who married the widow Pannell and had a daughter, Sarah Strother, who married Colonel Richard Taylor, of the Revolutionary Army, and their son, Zachary Taylor, became President of the United States.

was first cousin of Martha (Ashby) Meade. He was chief of cavalry under Stonewall Jackson, who said of him: "His daring was proverbial; his powers of endurance incredible; his character heroic; his sagacity intuitive in divining the purposes of the enemy." Certainly this was glory enough. Captain Richard Ashby, his brother, was equally famous. The Culpeper family of Strothers were early in the Revolutionary war. Captain Joseph Strother, son of John, marched with his company under the banner of King George, 1779. William Strother and his wife, Ann, were of Orange county, 1780; he then bought lands and moved to Spotsylvania, 1781. There seems to have been also another William Strother, who was first of Culpeper county, with his wife, Mildred, afterwards moved to King George county, 1782-87, and was in Spotsylvania from 1780 to 1786. Anthony Strother was a prominent man in Spotsylvania from 1783 to 1784. At one time he was a merchant in Fredericksburg, and owned many lots and lands in the county. He was high sheriff of King George, 1782-83.

The most noted writer of the Strother family was David Hunter Strother, whose pen name, "Porte Crayon," is so well remembered, as by his facile pen and pencil he illustrated Harper's Magazine so entertainingly previous to the Civil War. He was born at Martinsburg, Va., 1818. During the war he was major, and then brigadier-general. He died in Charleston, W. Va., 1888.

We give the arms of the family as brought over by William Strother, of Northumberland, England. They are described as:

"Gules, on a bend argent, three eagles displayed azure."  
Crest—A griffin passant guardant.  
Motto—Plus mori quam fletum.  
(Die rather than to break faith.)  
This motto is the same as borne by Viscount Strathallan, of Scotland, 1609, whom (some say) the Strothers or Strothers were descended, but this cannot be conclusively traced.

E. C. M.

### Washington—Lewis.

Dear Sir—I understand Augustine Washington came from Wakefield, Va. He was father of George Washington. One of my ancestors was a brother of George Washington's grandfather.

Please tell me if there is any family by the name of Washington living there, or by the name of Lewis, which was the name of Betty Washington's husband; the address of one or more persons by the name of Washington or Lewis. If they are married, please state.

Yours respectfully,

W. E. S.

Mediapolis, Des Moines Co., Ia.

Colonel Fielding Lewis, of Fredericksburg (merchant, burgess and vestryman), married in 1740 Catherine Washington, the cousin of General George Washington. Their issue was:

1st. John, born June 22, 1747; his uncle, John Lewis, and Charles Dick godfathers; Miss Mary Washington and Mrs. Lee, godmothers.

2d. Frances, born November 25, 1748; Fielding Lewis and George Washington, godfathers; Miss Hannah Washington and Mrs. Jackson, godmothers.

3d. Warner, born November 29, 1749; his uncle, Mr. Lewis, and Captain B. Seaton, godfathers; Mrs. Mildred Seaton, godmother. He died an infant.

Mrs. Catherine Lewis died February, 1750, and Colonel Fielding Lewis married, second, Elizabeth (called Betty), only sister of George Washington. The issue by this marriage was:

1st. Fielding, born February 14, 1751; his uncle, George Washington, and Robert Jackson, godfathers; Mrs. Mary Washington and Mrs. Frances Thornton, godmothers.

2d. Augustine, born January 22, 1752; Uncle Charles Lewis and Charles Washington, godfathers; his aunt, Lucy Lewis, and Mrs. Mary Tullaferry, godmothers.

3d. Warner, born June 24, 1756; Chas. Washington and Colonel John Thornton, godfathers; Mrs. Mildred Thornton and Mrs. Mary Willis, godmothers.

4th. George, born March 14, 1757; Charles Yates and Lewis Willis, godfathers; Mrs. Mary Dick and his mother, godmothers.

5th. Mary, born April 22, 1759; Samuel and Lewis Washington, godfathers; Mrs. Washington and Miss Mary Thornton, godmothers.

6th. Charles, born October 3, 1760; Colonel George Washington and Roger Dixon, godfathers; Mrs. Martha Washington and Mrs. Lucy Dixon, godmothers.

7th. Samuel, born May 14, 1763; Rev. Milgrove Dawson and Joseph Jones, godfathers; Mrs. Dawson and Mrs. Jones, godmothers.

8th. Betty, born February 22, 1765; Rev. McKie and Warner Washington and father; Mrs. Harriet Washington and Mrs. Francis Lewis, godmothers.

9th. Lawrence, born April 4, 1767; Charles Washington and Francis Thornton, godfathers; Mrs. Mary Dick, godmother.

10th. Robert, born June 25, 1769; George Thornton and Peter Mary, godfathers; Miss Mildred Willis and Mrs. Ann Lewis, godmothers.

11th. Howell, born December 12, 1771; Joseph Jones and James Mercer, godfathers; Miss Mary and Miss Milly Dick, godmothers.

Two brothers, John and Lawrence Washington, came to Virginia about 1657. They were grandsons of Lawrence Washington, of Sulgrave, England, and sons of Lawrence Washington, rector of Burleigh, England. These were the English ancestry of George Washington.

Lawrence Washington, emigrant, married Jane Fleming and had children, one of whom, John Washington, married Mary Townsend. One of their children was John Washington, of Chantank. He married a Massey and had children, one of whom, Lawrence Washington, of Chantank, married Elizabeth Dade. One of their children was Mary T. Washington, who married Colonel Robert Stith, of Windsor, England, from whom was William Stith, president of William and Mary College, Virginia, 1762.

We give this in answer to the above letter, as well as to many others who have made inquiries.

E. C. M.

### Early.

The following corrections and additions to the Early family, given in issue of July 24, are to be noted.

The parentage of General Jubal A. Early, of Confederate fame (who was named for his grandfather, Jubal, son of Jeremiah Early, Jr.), was the son of Colonel John Early and his wife, Ruth Halston, daughter of Colonel Samuel Halston (who had been guardian of John and his brother, Henry, orphan children of Jubal Early, Sr.). Jeremiah Early, Sr., was born 1706; married 1728, and died 1787. He outlived three of his sons—John, born 1723, died 1774; Joseph, born 1729, died 1770.

Lewie Johnson Early was born February 2, 1805, in Ohio county, Kentucky. He was first a teacher in Haverhill, Ky., and was then professor of education in West Kentucky College. He then became editor and proprietor of "The Telephone," at Cannellton, Indiana.

The Hughes family, and also that of Crane, will be given as soon as possible. We try to oblige our correspondents as far as possible, but it takes time to hunt up family records, and the search often proves very unsatisfactory to us. It is suggested that what data descendants have should be given, that we may have a basis to work upon.

### Rives.

In answer to Miss M. R. of Cartersville, Va. give the following as to the Crane family:

Colonel John Crane and his wife, Eliza.

I am whether you have any data of the Rives family, as I would be glad to get some knowledge of my ancestry on that side of the house. My mother was daughter of Henry Rives, of Cumberland county. You will please oblige a part of your paper.

L. R.  
Farmville, Va.  
Yes, we have a good deal on the Riveses of Nelson, Amherst, Albemarle and Cumberland, and will give it soon.

E. C. M.  
Derry.  
Editor of The Times-Dispatch:  
Sir—Will you kindly give a brief sketch of the Derry family; also whether there is a Professor Joseph Derry living in Macon, Ga., and greatly oblige a constant reader.

Yours truly,  
"READER."  
Gordonsville, Va.

Derry is rather an uncommon name, which we cannot place in any of our records, and hope some reader can give the desired information.

Boywer Correction.  
In the Boywer article of the 6th instant, which was partly furnished us by a most worthy descendant, of whose reliability we have no doubt, and who only claimed it as being "approximately correct," there seems to have been a few errors, and we have corrected the errors, as shown by the following letter:

My grandfather, John Boywer, of "Thicket," Rockbridge county, Va., married Elizabeth Hubbard (not Hubbard), had five children—Frances Hubbard, Mary Caldwell, Louise Meriwether, Charles and Elizabeth. Frances Hubbard Boywer, my grandfather's oldest daughter, is mentioned as having married Warner M. Rives, a son of the Washington family, which latter statement is correct; but it was Fielding Lewis, and not Warner Rives, whom she married first, and next George Foxe, of Malvern Hills. My grandfather's third daughter, Louise Meriwether, my mother, and she married three times, her third husband being my father, R. E. Colston, not Colston, as the paper has it. It is well, for the sake of the descendants, to have these matters correctly stated; therefore, I beg you will pardon my troubling you to make the proper corrections. Very truly,  
"Mrs. L. C. R."

Petersburg, Va.  
We make the corrections with pleasure.  
E. C. M.

Carr.  
Editor Genealogical Column, Times-Dispatch:  
Sir—Can you give any information in regard to the Carr family of Albemarle, Va., Charlottesville? My mother was Miss Lucy Jane Carr, and her mother was Miss Malinda L. Clarkson, near Charlottesville, daughter of Nathan Clarkson. The first Carrs of Albemarle lived below Charlottesville at "Bear Castle." My grandfather, John Carr, was a Revolutionary officer and died 1834. I have no information you can find me, but am very anxious to make the proper corrections. Very truly,  
Mrs. M. D.

Naola, Va.  
I can give a good deal of this noted family, but the story is too long to be told here now and must be reserved for our next.

E. C. M.

Foushee.  
Mrs. B. G. P., "Virginia College," Roanoke, Va.  
The genealogy of the Foushee family has not been published. We have very little of the family.

Hughes.  
The following is all we can gather of the Hughes family, in answer to M. H. of Lynchburg, Va.:  
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